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PERSONNEL PLANS CONSOLIDATION

The Director of Personnel, Robert W. Hutchison, has announced that efforts to effect a consolidation of the Placement Office and the Position Classification Office are currently underway with the aim of improving services to the various departments of the Library through better coordination of activities and methods. Mr. Hutchison has emphasized that in view of the diversity and complexity of the Library's organization and missions and corresponding personnel support, this coordinated approach will not occur overnight; the transition and initial phase of the merger will take several weeks. The objective in integrating these two functions is to help both Library supervision and individual staff members by providing improved techniques in the use of qualifications and position classification standards in establishing and filling positions and in planning career development. In bringing together the now separate specialists in staffing and position classification on an organizationally assigned basis, the Director of Personnel anticipates increased effectiveness as each specialist becomes cross-trained and thus capable of handling a wider range of the personnel needs of divisions and offices. Pending formal establishment and announcement of the combined office, current activities and communications will continue to be handled under present systems and regulations.

PARKING AND CARPOOL INFORMATION

A **Transportation and Parking Pamphlet** containing information about the Metropolitan fringe area parking lots and commercial transportation serving the Library is available in the Employee Relations Office, Room MB G-112, upon request.

Staff members seeking transportation and those interested in joining and/or organizing carpools are encouraged to use the Carpool Locator Map placed in the corridor opposite the entrance to the Credit Union and the Main Building Health Room.

Employee Relations also maintains a listing of a limited number of garages and parking spaces offered for rent in the Capitol Hill area. Interested staff members may call ext. 6361 for further information.

As a convenience to staff members at Crystal Mall, the Copyright Office has placed a Carpool Locator Map in Room 517-A. Employees desiring transportation are urged to use this facility.

THE JUILLIARD STRING QUARTET

On Thursday and Friday evenings, April 20 and 21, the Gertrude Clarke Whittall Foundation in the Library of Congress will sponsor two concerts of chamber music by the Juilliard String Quartet (Robert Mann and Earl Carlyss, violins; Samuel

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Rhodes, viola; and Claus Adam, violoncello). This ensemble, the Library's "quartet-in-residence" since 1962, will present a program which will include Pavan and Chacony, both in G minor, by Henry Purcell; Quartet in B flat major, K. 589 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; and Quartet No. 1, Op. 7 by Arnold Schoenberg.

Each concert will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium of the Library. The Friday evening concert will be broadcast in its entirety by station WGMS of Washington, D.C., and tape recordings for delayed broadcasts will be made available to stations in other cities by the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

Tickets for both concerts will be distributed by Patrick Hayes, 1300 G St., N.W., beginning at 8:30 a.m., on Monday, April 17. A service charge of 25 cents is placed on each ticket, and only two tickets are distributed to an individual. Telephone reservations may be made on Monday morning by calling 393-4463. Mail orders are not accepted.

WGMS-FM TO AIR POETRY READING

On Saturday, April 22, at 10:30 p.m., station WGMS-FM, Washington, D.C., will present a delayed broadcast of the literary program held on April 10 [see LC *Information Bulletin,* March 13, p. 140]. The program featured poets George Garrett and Brendan Kennelly in a reading; they were introduced by Josephine Jacobsen, the Library's Consultant in Poetry.

TRAINING PROGRAMS AT LC
A Two-Part Series

Training opportunities in the Library of Congress go beyond the general Library courses offered under the auspices of the Training Office. Many of the Library's departments and divisions provide formal training programs tailored to meet the specialized and specific needs of their employees.

One of the most active of these special programs is conducted by the Processing Department's Cataloging Instruction Office. Originally established in 1967 to train people with language facility to become catalogers, the Office has branched out to fulfill other needs in the field of cataloging. Its primary emphasis is on providing Library staff members with a background in cataloging procedures and catalog-related work. Participants come from the Processing Office and from other areas of the Library where a knowledge of cataloging is necessary or useful. Courses range from a "short-term" of 15 or 20 hours to a "long-term" of 100 hours. Among the programs offered are Basic Cataloging for Processing Assistants, Cataloging Searching, Filing, Introduction to Cataloging, and Survey of the Cataloging Process for Beginning Shelflisters.

Another developmental series of training programs and seminars is provided by the System Development and Standard Office in the Information Systems Office. The Automation Training Program is a series of technically-oriented, work-related courses for career automation professionals at the trainee and advanced levels. The courses are related to programming languages and the computer. Some examples of courses are COBOL Programming, Administrative Terminal Systems, Customer Information Control System (CICS), and use of Direct Access Storage Device. The majority of participants are from Computer Applications Office and the MARC Development Office; staff members from other Legislative Branch organizations including the House and Senate also attend.

An adjunct to the Automation Training Program is the one-year-old Automation Seminar Program, a series of presentations on topics relating to computer

Looking over recent publications announcing training opportunities for Library employees are personnel of the Training Office. From left, they are Catherine Kaiser, Employee Development Specialist; Mrs. Irene C. Kellogg, Employee Development Assistant, and Harvey C. Joiner, Training Officer.

hardware, software, and applications technology. The seminars deal directly with equipment and tasks which Library employees are involved with now or may be in the future. In addition to career automation personnels, other Library employees and representatives from other government agencies may attend the one to three-hour seminars.

Specialized training is also provided in courses developed by the Copyright Office, which conducts a copyright law course for staff members and a formal orientation for new employees. The MARC Development Office offers formal cataloging and automation training for its employees.

Interagency Training

In addition to the wide variety of in-house training programs—both general and specialized—Library employees can be nominated for courses conducted either at the Civil Service Training Office or at other cooperating government agencies such as the Government Printing Office and the General Services Administration. CSC course offerings fall in three categories: executive, managerial, supervisory, and administrative training; technical training; and general purpose training. An annual catalog and quarterly supplements of the CSC curriculums are available in the Library's Training Office, and special announcements of current courses are furnished to Departments for distribution within their divisions and sections. Library participants are nominated for the courses by their supervisors. Nominations must be authorized by division and department heads, and the Training Office. For courses which cost more than $100, the Deputy Librarian must also give his approval.

Non-Government Training

In certain circumstances, the Library will provide some help, in the form of tuition reimbursement or administrative leave, to employees who enroll in a non-government training program. This includes college and university courses, Department of Agriculture Graduate School classes, technical schooling, etc. For such help, however, Library regulations require that the training provide the employee with a special skill which he needs for his particular job assignment. A request for such training must be made in advance and submitted by the employee's supervisor, and must be approved by the division and department heads, and the Training Office, and if costs exceed $100, by the Deputy Librarian. In addition, if the Library pays tuition cost, the employee must sign an agreement which obligates him or her to remain at the Library a certain period of time after the training, and to complete the course satisfactorily or repay the costs incurred by the Library.

Training for Non-Library Employees

In addition to training for Library employees, the Library provides limited training opportunities for persons not employed by the Library.

One of the most extensive programs in operation is a Braille Transcription correspondence course provided by the Division for the Blind and Physically

In order to insure that every staff member in the Annex Building receives a copy of the LC *Information Bulletin*, the distribution point for the pickup is being changed. Henceforth, division representatives will find their division's supply of the *Bulletin* on a table in the corridor next to room A2004, the Processing Department office.

Handicapped. Ten full-time Division instructors administer the course by mail to correspondents throughout the country. The training consists of instruction in transcribing literature, music, and mathematics into Braille. Graduates of the course receive certificates signed by the Librarian of Congress. Volunteer braille transcribers provide library material not only to the Division but to many of its regional libraries as well as vocational materials and textbooks for all levels.

A High School Work Study program is offered through the Library's Placement Office. The purpose of the program is to provide high school students with an opportunity to learn on-the-job and is designed for juniors and seniors enrolled in vocational office programs in metropolitan Washington, D.C., high schools. Students attend school for half a day; the other half is spent at jobs in the Library. Currently 15 high school students are working as clerk-typists, deck attendants, and library aides in the Copyright Office, Stack and Reader Division, Exchange and Gift Division, and the Photoduplication Service. Students are appointed as GS-1 and are promoted to GS-2 and GS-3 upon high school graduation. On-the-job evaluations are made by supervisors and forwarded by the Placement Office to the high school counselors.

And, finally, an Orientation for Federal Librarians is sponsored jointly by the Library and the Federal Library Committee. The orientation, usually given once a year, serves to acquaint librarians in various Federal agencies with the functions, facilities, and services of the Library of Congress through a week-long program of lectures, discussions, and tours.

LC staff members with questions about training programs may visit or call the Training Office in Room G-129 of the Main Building, ext. 6348.

EXHIBIT MARKS 750th HUNGARIAN GOLDEN BULL ANNIVERSARY

The Library of Congress commemorated the 750th anniversary of the issuance of the Golden Bull of Hungary with the opening on Wednesday, April 5, of a special exhibit in the Law Library.

William Sólyom-Fekete, Senior Legal Specialist in the Library's European Law Division who prepared the exhibit, acted as the master of ceremonies for the occasion. Mr. Sólyom-Fekete extended a special welcome to the Reverend Dr. Zoltán Béky, Bishop Emeritus and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the American Hungarian Federation. Edmund C. Jann, Chief of the European Law Division, welcomed the assembled guests on behalf of the Law Librarian.

The Golden Bull *(Bulla Aurea)*, one of the most important constitutional documents of Hungary, was obtained from King Andrew II by the Hungarian nation in 1222. This royal decree was the first written reaffirmation of the rights and liberties of the Hungarian nobility and the other freemen who, at that time, constituted the political nation. The basic rights confirmed in the Golden Bull are direct contact with the King, personal participation in the Diet, personal freedom, freedom from taxation, privileges before the law, and the right of resistance.

An 1861 facsimile of the oldest extant transcript of the Golden Bull, a copy made in 1318, is central to the exhibit. The exhibit also shows several books including the text in Hungarian and English and in the original Latin and works dealing with the significance of this royal decree, which is frequently called the Magna Charta of Hungary because its contents bear a striking resemblance to those of the English document which preceded it in history by only seven years.

Other works include *Zsamboki János*, a 1581 collection of royal decrees and articles of law and *Corpus Juris Hungarici*, a volume of the collection of Hungarian laws issued between 1000 and 1526 which was published in Budapest in 1899. A facsimile edition of the *Hungarian Illuminated Chronicle (Chronica de Gesta Hungarorum)* shows King Andrew II; Count Julius Andrássy's *The Development of Hungarian Constitutional Liberties*, published in London in 1908, discusses the reasons for the preservation and development of constitutional liberty in Hungary, while Elemér Hantos' *The Magna Carta of the English and of the Hungarian Constitution* (London, 1904) is a comparative study of the law and institutions of the two nations in the Middle Ages. Other key works complete the exhibition.

The exhibit, which is located in the foyer of the Law Library on the second floor of the Library's Main Building, will remain on view until June 30. The Library's exhibit hours are 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Sunday and holidays.

VOLUNTEER STUDIO DIRECTOR NAMED

A volunteer, Mrs. Rhoda Miklos, of Chevy Chase, Md., is serving as Director of the Sound Recording

Studio in the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped at the Taylor Street Annex.

As Studio Director, Mrs. Miklos is working with the Division staff in coordinating use of the studio; monitoring the functioning of the recording equipment; conducting auditions for both volunteer readers and monitors of talking books; and recruiting volunteers for the talking book program from the metropolitan area. She is available for consultation at the Division and the studio from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Mrs. Miklos, wife of Foreign Service Officer Jack C. Miklos, Country Director for Iran in the Department of State, was a member of the board, and chairman of the speakers service, of the Association of American Foreign Service Women in 1970. She has lived in Japan, Morocco, Turkey, Iran, India, and Ceylon during her husband's 25 years in the Foreign Service. Mrs. Miklos is active in other civic and voluntary groups, among them the Maryland Association for the Visually Handicapped.

SAFETY TIPS

Rear-End Collisions Costly

There's nothing dramatic about rear-end collisions as compared to the more violent variety, but the National Safety Council (NSC) cites this type as the largest single cause of traffic injuries. It is also the nation's most expensive accident, responsible for a total loss of approximately 3 billion dollars in 1970 alone.

With statistics like these, it becomes obvious that some attention must be paid to the causes of this type of traffic accident. According to the NSC, there are three major causes: (1) closing in on a slow-moving vehicle (10 percent); (2) tailgating (20 percent); and (3) closing in on a stopped vehicle (70 percent).

To avoid costly rear-end collisions, one should not be tempted to take his eyes off the road for girl or boy watching, lighting cigarettes, reading billboards, etc. Adjusting the senses to slowing down after driving at high speeds is particularly critical when there is a halted or slowly moving car up ahead.

If in the lead car, avoid the tailgater by allowing him to pass. If halted, keep the brake on to activate the stoplights, and don't stop too close to the car ahead. While following a car, never tailgate, and always expect the unexpected. At all times drive defensively and use seat belts and head restraints. Whiplash and chest injuries are common injuries in these accidents.

—Excerpted from the *Safety Bulletin* for January-February 1972, published by the Treasury Safety Council, Department of the Treasury.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

[*Note:* Beginning with this issue, the LC *Information Bulletin* will include, whenever possible, the GPO catalog number for all Library publications available from the Superintendent of Documents. This number, which should be used when the publications are ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, will appear in parentheses at the end of the citation.]

Digest of Public General Bills and Resolutions. 92nd Congress, 2nd Session. Supplement No. 2 to First issue, 1972. (Various pagings.) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, for $1 this issue or $50 a session, domestic, and $62.50 a session, foreign. (LC 14.16:9016).

The National Union Catalog: A Cumulative Author List Representing Library of Congress Printed Cards and Titles Reported by Other American Libraries. Vols. 10-14. 1970. 1971. Compiled by the Library of Congress with the cooperation of the Resources Committee of the Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association. For sale by the Card Division, Library of Congress, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20541.

The Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress. Vol. 29, No. 2. April 1972. (pp. 77-154.) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents at 75 cents this issue or $3.50 a year, domestic, and $4.50 a year, foreign (LC 1.17:29/2).

The three illustrated articles in this issue deal with Lafayette papers at the Château de La Grange, General the Marquis de Lafayette's home from 1799 to 1834; in the collections of the Cornell University Library; and in the Library of Congress. The issue reflects the increasing interest in these sources of American Revolutionary history.

In the first article, "Adrienne and Lafayette at La Grange," Count René de Chambrun, owner of La Grange and a direct descendant of Lafayette, presents the story of the chateau and of the papers that bear particularly on the little known but extraordinary Adrienne, the faithful and courageous wife whom Lafayette had married when he had not yet reached his 17th birthday nor she her 15th. From the begin-

ning of their marriage she exhibited heroic sympathy for her husband's attachment to freedom and justice and endured without complaint many hardships during the American and the French Revolutions. Imprisoned herself and sentenced to the guillotine, she was finally freed from prison and with her daughters joined her husband in an Austrian dungeon, where she contracted the blood poisoning that ended her life 12 years later. The author concludes his article with an account of the efforts he and Madame de Chambrun are making to restore the chateau as a museum dedicated to Lafayette and to preserve the Lafayette papers.

Mary F. Daniels, Library Assistant in the Department of Rare Books at the Cornell University Library, has made a survey of "The Lafayette Collection at Cornell," which, with the "Fabius" Collection and a large portion of the Blancheteau, is the principal American repository for the papers by and about Lafayette. Among the material quoted and illustrated are writings about Lafayette's family, schooldays, marriage, roles in the American and French Revolutions, imprisonment, life at La Grange, emancipation of slaves, *Mémoires,* and the 1824-25 American tour. Also examined is important correspondence from such prominent Americans as John C. Calhoun, Daniel Webster, Henry Clay, and the first six Presidents, notably Jefferson; with prominent European and South American liberals; and with his wife and her aunt and uncle, the Comte and Comtesse de Tessé. The Cornell collection also includes related archives–legal documents, contracts, and deeds concerning the estates, rents, and litigations of the families from which Lafayette was descended, and pictorial material, biographies, and critical studies.

Among "Lafayette Papers at the Library of Congress," John R. Sellers, Acting Coordinator of American Revolution Bicentennial Programs, describes some of the substantial number of letters and documents relating to Lafayette in the Library's Lafayette Collection, the papers of Washington, Hamilton, and Jefferson, the collected papers of American diplomats to France and their secretaries, and many other collections. Mr. Sellers also cites the Lafayette material in the Library's holdings of foreign reproductions and in Stevens' *Facsimiles of Manuscripts in European Archives Relating to America, 1773-1783* (London, 1889-98). A list of 73 collections containing material on the Marquis de Lafayette is appended to Mr. Sellers' article.

Selected Information Resources on Library Automation, recently compiled by the Science and Technology Division's National Referral Center, is an informal seven-page listing of organizations that provide information in the general field of library automation. Included for each of the 19 organizations listed are its address, telephone number, a description of the information services it will perform for the public or selected users, and information on its publications, holdings, and data collections. A bibliography of five "selected publications on library automation" is appended. Copies of the listing may be obtained free from the National Referral Center, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Press Releases: No. 72-25 (April 4) Library of Congress exhibits manuscripts and photographs marking Grant's birthday; No. 72-26 (April 7) Library of Congress mounts exhibit marking 750th anniversary of issuance of the Golden Bull of Hungary by King Andrew in 1222.

Library of Congress Regulations: Nos. 1514-5 through 1514-5.5 (April 3) concerned voluntary and involuntary deductions from salaries; Nos. 1111 through 1111-3 (April 5) restated the Library's program to provide reading materials for the blind and physically handicapped.

Special Announcement: No. 469 (March 31) announced the appointment of Paul L. Horecky as Chief, Slavic and Central European Division, Reference Department.

STAFF NEWS

RETIREMENT

Mrs. Margaret H. Horvath, General Reference and Bibliography Division Administrative Secretary, retired on March 31 after 27 years of service with the Library.

Mrs. Horvath, who came to Washington from Pittsburgh, Pa., first accepted a position in the Library's Reference Department office in 1945. She transferred to GR&B in 1949, where she remained until her retirement. During the course of her career, she was detailed to Prints and Photographs Division for three months during 1962 and temporarily served as Administrative Assistant in GR&B.

In 1959, Mrs. Horvath received an outstanding performance rating in which she was cited for "sustained excellence in carrying out the duties of her position over a period of years." As Division Administrative Secretary and supervisor of a typing pool, Mrs. Horvath successfully trained many young people in Library correspondence format and office procedures and enjoyed seeing many of them advance to posi-

tions of greater responsibility throughout the Library [see LC *Information Bulletin,* April 9, 1970, page 161].

On March 30, her friends throughout the Library entertained her at a luncheon; the following day her staff and friends filled her desk with bouquets of spring flowers. At the end of her last day, GR&B and Reference Department Office staff members presented her with a set of crystal cordial glasses and a Waterford crystal decanter. On Sunday, April 9, the GR&B staff, the Reference Department Office staff and other friends feted her and John Ulrich, Assistant Head of the Public Reference Section, who also is retiring this year, with a coffee.

Mrs. Horvath and her husband, Louis, plan to make their retirement home in Florida, where the sun and fishing will keep them from missing the frantic pace of Washington and where Mrs. Horvath will have to deal with something she never had at LC—free time.

AWARDS

John W. Dietz, Copyright Compliance Specialist in the Copyright Office Reference Division, was presented a 30-year Federal Service Award pin on March 9 by George D. Cary, Register of Copyrights, at a luncheon given by his co-workers at the Flagship Restaurant.

Except for military service during World War II, all of Mr. Dietz's Government service has been with the Library of Congress, where he began work in the Card Division in 1942. He transferred to the Service Division of the Copyright Office in 1946, and in 1964 became a Searcher in the Compliance Section of the Copyright Reference Division.

Marjorie B. Duvall, Senior Serial Recorder in the Book Section of the Cataloging Division, was presented a 20-year Federal Service Award pin on March 10 by Mrs. Elizabeth K. Dunne, Chief of the Cataloging Division. Mrs. Duvall joined the Library of Congress in March 1955 as a Clerk-Typist.

During her Library service, all of which has been with the Copyright Office Cataloging Division, Mrs. Duvall has received a quality increase and four Outstanding Performance Ratings.

APPOINTMENT

Sandra Walberg has joined the Division for the Blind and Physically handicapped as full-time Braille Music Advisor. She fills a position in the Music Services Unit that has been vacant since last November. As the Library's and the Division's authority on braille music notation, Miss Walberg will have several duties, including consulting with regional librarians, music teachers, blind music students, and volunteers throughout the country; and contributing articles to the Division's bimonthly publication, *The New Braille Musician.*

One of her major assignments will be to develop, for the first time, a new and original course of instruction for blind proofreaders of braille music notation. She also has a primary responsibility for the Library's national program of conducting the correspondence course for and certifying qualified transcribers of braille music notation, a program begun in 1964.

Miss Walberg comes to the Library from Seattle, Wash., where she taught piano, braille, and spelling, and also performed clerical duties (dictaphone typing) for Services for the Blind, a public rehabilitation center. She was awarded the B.M. degree in piano from Washington State University, and the M.M. degree in piano from Indiana University, where she studied under Karen Shaw. While undertaking postmaster's academic work at Indiana University, she also was a tutor for the theory department and taught private piano lessons. Miss Walberg reads primarily in braille.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Appointments: George E. Brenner, supervisory storage management specialist, GS-12, Procurement, PA2540; Hugh E. Clark, copyright examiner, GS-9, Cop Exam, PA2538; Mrs. Alice S. Corley, descriptive cataloger, GS-9, Desc Cat, PA2579; De'Ossie Dickerson, clerk-typist, GS-2, Cat Publ, OP500; Mrs. Mary-Lee Y. Fleming, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100; Susan M. Johannsen, clerk-typist, GS-2, Cat Publ, OP500; William McDonald, mail clerk, GS-3, Cop Serv, OP200; Lossie M. Mitchell, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100; Ruby W. Ragin, clerk-typist, GS-4, Loan, OP600; Heywood C. Rodgers, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100; Jared F. Ryker, library assistant, GS-4, LLO, PA2660; Charles H. Thompson, Jr., file clerk, GS-4, Ord, PB2466; Mark Wainstock, language specialist, GS-7, FRD, PA2425; Sonja A. Weems, clerk-typist, GS-2, Cat Publ, OP500.

Temporary Appointments: Mrs. Elizabeth J. Devins, serials collection assistant, GS-3, CRS-L, PA2517; George A. Garris, collections maintenance worker, WG-4, CMO, NP; Edward M. Giles, Jr., janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100; James E. Hall, collections worker, WG-4, CMO, NP; Bernard Hood, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100; Michael A. Lesesne, collections maintenance worker, WG-4, CMO, NP; George C. Lewis, Jr., janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100; Aaron J. Morris, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100; Linda C. Phifer, clerical assistant trainee, GS-3, Subj Cat, NP;

Wayne C. Riddle, analyst in public welfare, GS-7, CRS-Ed, NP; Reginald K. Young, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100.

Reappointment: Mrs. Barbara A. Luxenberg, research assistant, GS-9, CRS-SPR, NP.

Promotions: Kenneth S. Alexander, to senior research analyst, GS-12, FRD, 70-FRD; Mrs. Delci Blair, Photodup, to coding clerk, GS-4, Card, PB2583; Thelma Bowden, Cat Publ, to clerk-typist, GS-4, Ser Rec, PA2666; Barry G. Cooper, Loan, to searcher-deck attendant trainee, GS-4, Music, PA2594; Gary S. Gordon, Bldgs, to motor vehicle operator, WG-5, CS, OP100; Michael E. Lestz, CRS, to research analyst, GS-7, FRD, PA2399; Willie R. Millington, Bldgs, to collections maintenance worker, WG-4, CMO, NP; Harold Moore, CRS-LS, to publications clerk, GS-4, CS, PB2639; Andrew R. Porvaznik, to laborer, WG-3, Bldgs, OP100; John P. Stigger, to janitor foreman, WS-2, Bldgs, PB2604; George Williams, to laborer, WG-3, Bldgs, OP100.

Temporary Promotions: Willie Byrd, Jr., Bldgs, to collections maintenance worker, WG-4, CMO, NP; Robert C. Gaddis, Bldgs, to collections maintenance worker, WG-4, CMO, NP; Yancy G. Lea, Bldgs, to collections maintenance worker, WG-4, CMO, NP; Guy Ross, Bldgs, to collections maintenance worker, WG-4, CMO, NP; Charlie Tolbert, Jr., Bldgs, to collections maintenance worker, WG-4, CMO, NP.

Transfers: Edward R. Clark, to library technician, GS-5, Cop Serv, PB2472; Sula P. Dyson, Card, to library technician, GS-5, Ser Rec, PA2522; Mrs. Eunice F. Jackson, Mss, to coding clerk, GS-4, Card, PB2583.

Resignations: Howard L. Anthony, DBPH; Mrs. Mary Jane Bolle, CRS-Ed; William Cole Jr., DBPH; Mrs. Deborah S. Cross, Cop Serv; David J. Dyer, Cop Cat; Georgia M. Finney, Card; Robert D. Hadl, Cop Reg; Phillip L. Holloman, Photodup; Eugene B. Huffman, Mus; Mrs. Paula B. Johnson, Card; Mrs. Kathleen M. Kreitzer, Photodup; Jan Malloy, S&R; Mrs. Adrian E. Poole, Card; Mrs. Marian R. Rogers, Ord; Malcom Whiteside, Card; Carol M. Whittemore, CRS-Ed.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Mildred G. Balima, Acting Head of the Library's African Section, recently returned from a 10-day trip to Dakar, Senegal, and Monrovia, Liberia, under the auspices of the U.S. Information Agency. Mrs. Balima visited several libraries and schools and lectured and was interviewed in both French and English. She discussed the activities of the African Section, showed a film on LC, and attended the opening of an International Book Year exhibit at the U.S.I.S. Auditorium in Monrovia and the inauguration of the President of the University of Liberia. One of the purposes of Mrs. Balima's visit was to illustrate the role of libraries in book promotion.

Alan Fern, Assistant Chief of the Prints and Photographs Division, is the author of the chapter on the British calligrapher Edward Johnston in *Heritage of the Graphic Arts*, edited by Chandler B. Grannis (N.Y., R. R. Bowker, 1972). The essays in the book are based on the lectures given at Gallery 303 in New York by specialists in many areas of the typographic arts.

Richard W. Stephenson, Head of the Reference and Bibliography Section in the Geography and Map Division, is the author of "Atlases of the Western Hemisphere: A Summary Survey," published in the January issue of *The Geographical Review*, the quarterly journal of the American Geographical Society. The article reviews 147 general and thematic atlases published during the past 10 years including atlases of the entire hemisphere, the continents, the major regions, individual countries, and the separate states and provinces of the United States and Canada. Reprints are available on request from the Geography and Map Division.

Correction. In the story at the top of page 160 of the LC *Information Bulletin* of April 7, Mrs. Lorena Lemons was incorrectly identified as Mrs. Lorena Thomas. The editors regret the error.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The monthly meeting of the **American Federation of Government Employees,** Local 1826 will be held on Wednesday, April 19 at 11:30 a.m. in the back of the cafeteria.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary S. Branam are the parents of a son, Shawn Kristian, born March 22 at the Alexandria Hospital. Mr. Branam is a Mail Clerk in the Copyright Office Service Division.

NEW REFERENCE BOOKS

Clayton L. Eichelberger's *Guide to Critical Reviews of United States Fiction, 1870-1910* (Metuchen, N.J., Scarecrow Press, 1971. 415 p. Z1225.E35) is an extensive listing of reviews of major and minor works of fiction which were published in some 30 periodicals during the 40-year period. Arranged by author and title of the work reviewed, the guide cites reviews of more than 5,000 works and includes a full title index. It may be consulted in the Main Reading Room. [*Pam Wood*]

Frances Neel Cheney's *Fundamental Reference Sources* (Chicago, American Library Association, 1971. 318 p. Z1035.1.C5) is an introduction to

selected sources of bibliographical, biographical, linguistic, statistical, encyclopedic, and geographical information. Intended to acquaint the beginning library school student with the general characteristics and use of these reference works, the guide lists titles of importance in general reference collections in American libraries. Only titles published prior to September 1970 are listed. A copy is available in the Main Reading Room. [*Pat Tsuchitani*]

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

Catalogers of Children's Materials Surveyed

The American Library Association *ad hoc* Committee on Cataloging of Children's Materials is conducting a survey of commercial cataloging and processing services to determine their degree of awareness of the Committee's 1969 recommendation, later endorsed by ALA, that Library of Congress practices in cataloging of children's materials be accepted as a national standard. The survey will also attempt to determine the degree of acceptance of the standard, and the problems anticipated or encountered in its implementation.

Questionnaires are being sent to firms listed in a directory of commercial processors compiled by Barbara Westby, Chief of LC's Catalog Management Division, and published in *Library Resources and Technical Services* several years ago. Firms which have not received the questionnaire are urged to contact Dr. Jessica L. Harris, School of Library Service, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027 for a copy.

Proposed by Theodore C. Hines and Dr. Harris, Columbia University School of Library Service professors, the survey was endorsed by the ad hoc committee at the 1972 Midwinter Meeting in Chicago. The Committee will meet at the ALA Conference in June to discuss points arising from the survey.

Task Force to Parallel FLC Program

L. Quincy Mumford, Librarian of Congress, Martin M. Cummings, Director of the National Library of Medicine, and John Sherrod, Director of the National Agricultural Library, have announced jointly that the U.S. National Libraries Task Force will function as a cooperative activity in parallel to the program of the Federal Library Committee (FLC). Frank Kurt Cylke, FLC Executive Secretary, will also serve, beginning April 10, as Chairman of the U.S. National Libraries Task Force on Automation and other cooperative services, the other current members of which are Samuel Waters, NAL, and Joseph Leiter, NLM. Mrs. Marlene D. Morrisey, Executive Assistant to the Librarian of Congress, will continue as a liaison officer with the Task Force and the FLC.

Samuel Lazerow, Chief, Serial Record Division, leaves the Task Force chairmanship at his request to devote full time to direction of activities in the Serial Record Division with emphasis on LC serials controls.

The Task Force was established by the three directors in 1967 to "improve access to the world's literature in all areas of human concern and scholarship, so that comprehensive access to the materials of learning can be afforded to all citizens of the United States." Under Mr. Lazerow's leadership, the Task Force has worked actively in the fields of acquisitions, descriptive and subject cataloging, and various phases of automation toward the ultimate goal of "development of a national data bank of machine-readable cataloging information . . . as a central resource for all libraries." During this period the Task Force has submitted recommendations to the directors on the adoption of the MARC II format for the communication of bibliographic information, measures to assure compatibility in descriptive cataloging practices, adoption of standard calendar date and standard language codes, adoption of standard character sets for Roman alphabets and Romanized non-Roman alphabets, and plans for national serials controls and for further cooperation in acquisitions among the three national libraries.

The Task Force's development of the National Serials Data Project through its pilot stage made possible the recent announcement of the on-going National Serials Data Program under the sponsorship of the three national libraries. This step and the placement of the Task Force in close association with FLC will extend the benefits of these cooperative programs, both technical and non-technical, to the widest possible library and information science community.

Bavaria State Libraries Administration Reorganized

The Bavarian State Ministry for Education and Culture has revised the organization and responsibility of the State libraries administration in Bavaria following the retirement of Hans Striedl as Director-General, and Heinrich Middendorf as Director.

The Ministry, in a January 28 decree, abolished the previous union under one person of the directorship-general of State libraries and the office of head of the Bavarian State Library in Munich. The directorship-

general has been transferred by the State Ministry to Dr. Fridolin Dressler, and has been assigned the following duties: administrative and professional supervision of the libraries in Bavaria; comprehensive planning and coordination of all professional, organizational, and technical operating matters; cooperation with the authorities and representatives of public library service and other educational institutions in planning and development matters; and training and further professional education at the Bavarian Library School.

The management of the Bavarian State Library has been transferred to Dr. Franz Georg Kaltwasser. The Ministerial decree emphasized that the Bavarian State Library is an independent agency with its own administration, and among other Bavarian libraries it maintains the special function of a central Bavarian national library. Its director is the permanent deputy of the director-general.

The Bavarian Union Catalog and the Institute for Book and Manuscript Restoration will be under the authority of the directorate-general and will be administered by the Bavarian State Library. The directorate-general is also responsible for the publications and exhibitions of the libraries.

Roundup of Library Activities

Members of the **Society for Technical Information** will meet on Thursday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Library, McKinley St. and Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. Guest speakers Thelma Rudich and Barbara Plomondon will give a preview of the Society's convention on May 10-13 in Boston. The public is invited to attend the meeting.

The last two sessions of the **New York Metropolitan Reference and Research Library Agency's** closed circuit television series are "Microform Publication and Use in Retrospect and Prospect," April 21, and "Systems Approach to Library Operations and Managment," May 19. The series is aired in cooperation with the City University Mutual Benefit Instructional Network (CUMBIN) from the City University of New York Graduate Center.

The **Archives of the Moravian Church** is offering a summer course in reading 18th and 19th century German script. Scheduled for June 12 to June 23, the course costs $125 for tuition plus $15 for materials. Prerequisite is a reading knowledge of German. For further information, contact the Archives of the Moravian Church, 1228 Main St., Bethlehem, Pa. 18018.

Four two-day workshops for persons concerned with libraries and library technical processes will be held in August at the **University of California, Santa Cruz**, under the sponsorship of the University Extension. The workshops are "Mechanization of Library Technical Processes," August 11-12; "Cost Analysis of Library Operations," August 18-19; "Contemporary Management Issues in Academic Libraries," August 22-23; and "Library and Information Services for Prison Populations," August 25-26. Tuition for each is $95. Additional information is available from Donald Hummel, University of California Extension, Santa Cruz, Calif. 95060.

Yakobson Honored at Slavic Studies Meeting

Sergius Yakobson, former Chief of the Slavic and Central European Division, and now the Library's Honorary Consultant in Slavic Studies, was given an Award for Distinguished Contributions to Slavic Studies at the Fifth National Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies which met in Dallas, Tex., on March 15-18.

Noting that Mr. Yakobson was "advisor on Soviet Affairs to a generation of legislators and statesmen," the citation speaks of his "uniquely valuable role in developing the basic resources of our Russian area field" and states that his "activity in the Reference Department of the Library of Congress and simultaneously in the Legislative Reference Service linked the long-range needs of scholarship and the pressing requirements of policy-making." It also calls attention to Mr. Yakobson's pioneer activity in the analysis of Soviet political slogans and of his services to professional organizations in support of Slavic studies.

Other recipients of this award were Father Francis Dvornik, Professor-Emeritus of Harvard University, a theologian and the author of many studies of Byzantium and of the early history of the Slavs, and Bertram D. Wolfe, long a student of Soviet affairs and of the world Communist movement, whose *Three Who Made a Revolution* and other writings have been influential in historical scholarship.